



Town of Grand Island



Sunday, March 5, 2023

Recreation, Parks and Golden Age Center Open House and Outdoor Recreation Expo

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

What:

Open House - come explore recreation programs and amenities the Town offers:

Recreation Programs – youth and adult programs, adult leagues, special events

Community Center Rentals – space can accommodate up to 100 people, great for parties, graduations and other celebrations

Park Trails and Amenities – experience the new Town Trails at Nike Base Park and see other Town park amenities

Senior Services – see daily activities, day trips, lunch program and more for seniors

Outdoor Recreation – see outdoor recreation opportunities around G.I. - trails, fishing, kayaking *and* more!

Department Info:

Recreation Department
grandislandny.myrec.com
716-773-9680

Parks Department
ginyparks.com
716-773-9686

Golden Age Center
grandisland.ny.us – click on the Golden Age Center Link
716-773-9682

Activities:

Guided Trail Hikes - starting at 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. – *each time slot will have both a short hike and a long hike.*

Short Hike – approx. 1 ½ miles; 45 min.

Long Hike – approx. 3 ½ miles; 1½ hours

Snowshoeing – come try out snowshoes around the Nike Base - youth and adult sizes available.

Snowshoes will be available for the guided hikes – reservations required
**Snowshoe usage weather dependent*

Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup & Chicken à la King Sale –homemade by the Golden Age Center and available for purchase – dine in or take out. Available 10:30 am – 1:00 pm (or sold out)

Display Tables – display and information tables by the Recreation Department, Parks Department, Golden Age Center and other outdoor recreation groups around Town.

Scavenger Hunt – pick up your scavenger hunt sheet when you arrive. Indoor and outdoor scavenger hunt around the Nike Base. Find all the items to win a prize.

Registration

Registration for snowshoes can be completed on the Recreation Department website or by calling at 716-773-9680

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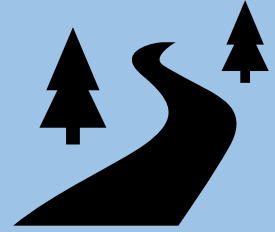
Nike Base Park, 3278 Whitehaven Road - Community Center, Golden Age Center, Town Trails

Come Explore the Outdoors on Grand Island and Discover Outdoor Recreation Opportunities Around Western New York!

Exhibitors Include:



Niagara River Greenway Commission
New York State Parks Interpretive Office
Citizen Coalition on Wildlife and Education
Siberian Husky Club of the Niagara Frontier
Explore Wild New York!
Town of Grand Island Recreation Department
Town of Grand Island Parks Department
Town of Grand Island Golden Age Center



Activities Include:

Guided Trail Hikes

Led by Conservation Advisory Board members Paul Yaeger and Diane Evans – Paul and Diane are avid outdoor enthusiasts and have years of knowledge on the environment, Nike Base trails and Grand Island history. Join them on the 1 ½ mile short hike (45 min.) or the 3 ½ mile long hike (1.5 hours). Both hikes will take you along the Nike Base Trails and will stop at the bridge over Big Six Mile Creek for a refreshment break with coffee, tea, hot chocolate and snacks.

No snow, no problem. You can still enjoy the outdoors in wintertime. There is plenty of wildlife activity and nice scenery this time of year. We'll have snowshoes available for people to try on and familiarize themselves with for the next time we have snow.

Scavenger Hunt and Wood Carving Raffle

Be sure to pick up your trail map and scavenger hunt sheet from the Recreation Department table in the Community Center. The scavenger hunt has 30 items located in the Nike Base facilities and on the Nike Base trails. There are two levels of difficulty - easy/moderate and moderate/advanced. Complete one or both levels and return sheet to the Recreation Department table for a prize for each level completed.

Wood Carving Raffle - earn a raffle entry for a wood carving by Paul Yaeger. Paul is a Grand Island resident and wood carving enthusiast. Carvings are made of basswood, a local wood that grows on Grand Island. Earn a raffle entry for each level of the scavenger hunt completed.

Lunch Sale by the Golden Age Center

Enjoy homemade Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup & Chicken à la King prepared by the Golden Age Center staff. Dine in or take out. Lunch available from 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. or until sold out.

Event is for all ages and pet friendly!

Bring the family and check out the Town's Recreation and Golden Age Center programs. Programs start at 1.5 years old and go to 90 years and older!

Friendly pets on leashes welcome outdoors. Please remember to pick up after your pet.

Trail hikes can be experienced on one of the scheduled guided hikes or explore the trails at your own pace.